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November 30, 1999

Mr. K. David Waddell Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0500

RE:

New Edge Networks, Inc.

Docket No. 99-00714

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed please find original and thirteen (13) copies of a Petition to Intervene in the above-styled matter we would like to file as counsel for the four TDS companies, Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc., Humphreys County Telephone Company, Tellico Telephone Company, Inc. and Tennessee Telephone Company. These are all wholly-owned subsidiaries of TDS Telecom. We are enclosing our check in the amount of \$25.00 in payment of the requisite filing fee.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very truly yours

T. G. Pappas

TGP/br#2071067 Enclosures

cc:

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REC'D TN REGULATORY AUTH:

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 19 NOV 30 PM 3 49

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF NEW EDGE NETWORKS, INC. D/B/A NEW EDGE NETWORKS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE AND INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF TENNESSEE

DOCKET NO. 99-00714

PETITION TO INTERVENE

COMES Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc., Humphreys County Telephone Company, Tellico Telephone Company, Inc. and Tennessee Telephone Company all wholly owned subsidiaries of TDS TELECOM (collectively "Intravenors"), and respectfully petition the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") to permit them to intervene in the above-styled Docket. In support of their Petition to Intervene, the Intervenors state as follows:

- 1. The Intervenors are: (a) all Tennessee Corporations; (b) all local exchange carriers serving portions of the State of Tennessee; (c) all may or could be affected by the TRA's decision in the above docket; and (d) all are subject to the TRA's Rule 1220-4-6.
- 2. This Petition is being filed pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310 and T.C.A. § 65-2-107. A hearing date has not been set for this matter.

3. The Intervenors submit that the intervention sought in this proceeding is: (a) in the interest of justice; (b) permitted by statute; and (c) and will not impair the orderly or prompt conduct of the proceedings.

THEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the Intervenors respectfully requests the TRA that they be permitted to intervene in this Docket and become parties in this cause.

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Inc., Tennessee Telephone Company

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served a true and exact copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene upon Eric J. Branfman and Michael P. Donahue, Swidler, Berlin, Shereff, Friedman, LLP, 3000 K Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20007-5115, L. Vincent Williams, Esq., Office of Consumer Advocate, 425 Fifth Avenue, North, Nashville, TN 37242, and Richard Collier, Esq., General Counsel Tennessee Regulatory Authority, 460 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, TN 37243-0505, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, this **20** day of November, 1999.

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